

CALABI-YAU HYPERSURFACES IN THE DIRECT PRODUCT OF \mathbb{P}^1 AND INERTIA GROUPS

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ABSTRACT. We produce the family of Calabi-Yau hypersurfaces X_n of $(\mathbb{P}^1)^{n+1}$ in higher dimension whose inertia group contains non commutative free groups. This is completely different from Takahashi's result [Ta98] for Calabi-Yau hypersurfaces M_n of \mathbb{P}^{n+1} .

1. INTRODUCTION

Throughout this paper, we work over \mathbb{C} . Given an algebraic variety X , it is natural to consider its birational automorphisms $\varphi: X \dashrightarrow X$. The set of these birational automorphisms forms a group $\text{Bir}(X)$ with respect to the composition. When X is a projective space \mathbb{P}^n or equivalently an n -dimensional rational variety, this group is called the Cremona group. In higher dimensional case ($n \geq 3$), though many elements of the Cremona group have been described, its whole structure is little known.

Let V be an $(n+1)$ -dimensional smooth projective rational manifold. In this paper, we treat subgroups called the “inertia group” (defined below (1.1)) of some hypersurface $X \subset V$ originated in [Gi94]. It consists of those elements of the Cremona group that act on X as identity.

In Section 3, we mention the result (Theorem 3.2) of Takahashi [Ta98] about the smooth Calabi-Yau hypersurfaces M_n of \mathbb{P}^{n+1} of degree $n+2$ (that is, M_n is a hypersurface such that it is simply connected, there is no holomorphic k -form on M_n for $0 < k < n$, and there is a nowhere vanishing holomorphic n -form ω_{M_n}). It turns out that the inertia group of M_n is trivial (Theorem 1.4). Takahashi's result (Theorem 3.2) is proved by using the “Noether-Fano inequality”. It is the useful result that tells us when two Mori fiber spaces are isomorphic. Theorem 1.4 is a direct consequence of Takahashi's result.

In Section 4, we consider Calabi-Yau hypersurfaces

$$X_n = (2, 2, \dots, 2) \subset (\mathbb{P}^1)^{n+1}.$$

Let

$$\text{UC}(N) := \overbrace{\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} * \dots * \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}}^N = \bigstar_{i=1}^N \langle t_i \rangle$$

be the *universal Coxeter group* of rank N where $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ is the cyclic group of order 2. There is no non-trivial relation between its N natural generators t_i . Let

$$p_i: X_n \rightarrow (\mathbb{P}^1)^n \quad (i = 1, \dots, n+1)$$

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be the natural projections which are obtained by forgetting the i -th factor of $(\mathbb{P}^1)^{n+1}$. Then, the $n+1$ projections p_i are generically finite morphism of degree 2. Thus, for each index i , there is a birational transformation

$$\iota_i: X_n \dashrightarrow X_n$$

that permutes the two points of general fibers of p_i and this provides a group homomorphism

$$\Phi: \mathrm{UC}(n+1) \rightarrow \mathrm{Bir}(X_n).$$

From now, we set $P(n+1) := (\mathbb{P}^1)^{n+1}$. Cantat-Oguiso proved the following theorem in [CO11].

Theorem 1.1. ([CO11, Theorem 1.3 (2)]) *Let X_n be a generic hypersurface of multidegree $(2, 2, \dots, 2)$ in $P(n+1)$ with $n \geq 3$. Then the morphism Φ that maps each generator t_j of $\mathrm{UC}(n+1)$ to the involution ι_j of X_n is an isomorphism from $\mathrm{UC}(n+1)$ to $\mathrm{Bir}(X_n)$.*

Here “generic” means X_n belongs to the complement of some countable union of proper closed subvarieties of the complete linear system $| (2, 2, \dots, 2) |$.

Let $X \subset V$ be a projective variety. The *decomposition group* of X is the group

$$\mathrm{Dec}(V, X) := \{f \in \mathrm{Bir}(V) \mid f(X) = X \text{ and } f|_X \in \mathrm{Bir}(X)\}.$$

The *inertia group* of X is the group

$$\mathrm{Ine}(V, X) := \{f \in \mathrm{Dec}(V, X) \mid f|_X = \mathrm{id}_X\}. \quad (1.1)$$

Then it is natural to consider the following question:

Question 1.2. Is the sequence

$$1 \longrightarrow \mathrm{Ine}(V, X) \longrightarrow \mathrm{Dec}(V, X) \xrightarrow{\gamma} \mathrm{Bir}(X) \longrightarrow 1 \quad (1.2)$$

exact, i.e., is γ surjective?

Note that, in general, this sequence is not exact, i.e., γ is not surjective (see Remark 1.5). When the sequence (1.2) is exact, the group $\mathrm{Ine}(V, X)$ measures how many ways one can extend $\mathrm{Bir}(X)$ to the birational automorphisms of the ambient space V .

Our main result is following theorem, answering a question asked by Ludmil Katzarkov:

Theorem 1.3. *Let $X_n \subset P(n+1)$ be a smooth hypersurface of multidegree $(2, 2, \dots, 2)$ and $n \geq 3$. Then:*

- (1) $\gamma: \mathrm{Dec}(P(n+1), X_n) \rightarrow \mathrm{Bir}(X_n)$ is surjective, in particular Question 1.2 is affirmative for X_n .
- (2) If, in addition, X_n is generic, there are $n+1$ elements ρ_i ($1 \leq i \leq n+1$) of $\mathrm{Ine}(P(n+1), X_n)$ such that

$$\langle \rho_1, \rho_2, \dots, \rho_{n+1} \rangle \simeq \underbrace{\mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z} * \dots * \mathbb{Z}}_{n+1} \subset \mathrm{Ine}(P(n+1), X_n).$$

In particular, $\mathrm{Ine}(P(n+1), X_n)$ is an infinite non-commutative group.

Our proof of Theorem 1.3 is based on an explicit computation of elementary flavour.

We also consider another type of Calabi-Yau manifolds, namely smooth hypersurfaces of degree $n+2$ in \mathbb{P}^{n+1} and obtain the following result:

Theorem 1.4. *Suppose $n \geq 3$. Let $M_n = (n+2) \subset \mathbb{P}^{n+1}$ be a smooth hypersurface of degree $n+2$. Then Question 1.2 is also affirmative for M_n . More precisely:*

- (1) $\text{Dec}(\mathbb{P}^{n+1}, M_n) = \{f \in \text{PGL}(n+2, \mathbb{C}) = \text{Aut}(\mathbb{P}^{n+1}) \mid f(M_n) = M_n\}$.
- (2) $\text{Ine}(\mathbb{P}^{n+1}, M_n) = \{\text{id}_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}}\}$, and $\gamma: \text{Dec}(\mathbb{P}^{n+1}, M_n) \xrightarrow{\simeq} \text{Bir}(M_n) = \text{Aut}(M_n)$.

It is interesting that the inertia groups of $X_n \subset P(n+1) = (\mathbb{P}^1)^{n+1}$ and $M_n \subset \mathbb{P}^{n+1}$ have completely different structures though both X_n and M_n are Calabi-Yau hypersurfaces in rational Fano manifolds.

Remark 1.5. There is a smooth quartic $K3$ surface $M_2 \subset \mathbb{P}^3$ such that γ is not surjective (see [Og13, Theorem 1.2 (2)]). In particular, Theorem 1.4 is not true for $n = 2$.

2. PRELIMINARIES

In this section, we prepare some definitions and properties of birational geometry and introduce the Cremona group.

2.1. Divisors and singularities. Let X be a projective variety. A *prime divisor* on X is an irreducible subvariety of codimension one, and a *divisor* (resp. \mathbb{Q} -*divisor* or \mathbb{R} -*divisor*) on X is a formal linear combination $D = \sum d_i D_i$ of prime divisors where $d_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ (resp. \mathbb{Q} or \mathbb{R}). A divisor D is called *effective* if $d_i \geq 0$ for every i and denote $D \geq 0$. The closed set $\bigcup_i D_i$ of the union of prime divisors is called the *support* of D and denote $\text{Supp}(D)$. A \mathbb{Q} -divisor D is called \mathbb{Q} -*Cartier* if, for some $0 \neq m \in \mathbb{Z}$, mD is a Cartier divisor (i.e. a divisor whose divisorial sheaf $\mathcal{O}_X(mD)$ is an invertible sheaf), and X is called \mathbb{Q} -*factorial* if every divisor is \mathbb{Q} -Cartier.

Note that, since the regular local ring is the unique factorization domain, every divisor automatically becomes the Cartier divisor on the smooth variety.

Let $f: X \dashrightarrow Y$ be a birational map between normal projective varieties, D a prime divisor, and U the domain of definition of f ; that is, the maximal subset of X such that there exists a morphism $f: U \rightarrow Y$. Then $\text{codim}(X \setminus U) \geq 2$ and $D \cap U \neq \emptyset$, the image $(f|_U)(D \cap U)$ is a locally closed subvariety of Y . If the closure of that image is a prime divisor of Y , we call it the *strict transform* of D (also called the *proper transform* or *birational transform*) and denote f_*D . We define $f_*D = 0$ if the codimension of the image $(f|_U)(D \cap U)$ is ≥ 2 in Y .

We can also define the strict transform f_*Z for subvariety Z of large codimension; if $Z \cap U \neq \emptyset$ and dimension of the image $(f|_U)(Z \cap U)$ is equal to $\dim Z$, then we define f_*Z as the closure of that image, otherwise $f_*Z = 0$.

Let (X, D) is a *log pair* which is a pair of a normal projective variety X and a \mathbb{R} -divisor $D \geq 0$. For a log pair (X, D) , it is more natural to consider a *log canonical divisor* $K_X + D$ instead of a canonical divisor K_X .

A projective birational morphism $g: Y \rightarrow X$ is a *log resolution* of the pair (X, D) if Y is smooth, $\text{Exc}(g)$ is a divisor, and $g_*^{-1}(D) \cup \text{Exc}(g)$ has simple normal crossing support (i.e. each components is a smooth divisor and all components meet transversely) where $\text{Exc}(g)$ is an exceptional set of g , and a divisor *over* X is a divisor E on some smooth variety Y endowed with a proper birational morphism $g: Y \rightarrow X$.

If we write

$$K_Y + \Gamma + \sum E_i = g^*(K_X + D) + \sum a_{E_i}(X, D)E_i,$$

where Γ is the strict transform of D and E_i runs through all prime exceptional divisors, then the numbers $a_{E_i}(X, D)$ is called the *discrepancies of (X, D) along E_i* . The *discrepancy of (X, D)* is given by

$$\text{discrep}(X, D) := \inf\{a_{E_i}(X, D) \mid E_i \text{ is a prime exceptional divisor over } X\}.$$

The discrepancy $a_{E_i}(X, D)$ along E_i is independent of the choice of birational maps g and only depends on E_i .

Let us denote $\text{discrep}(X, D) = a_E$. A pair (X, D) is *log canonical* (resp. *Kawamata log terminal (klt)*) if $a_E \geq 0$ (resp. $a_E > 0$). A pair (X, D) is *canonical* (resp. *terminal*) if $a_E \geq 1$ (resp. $a_E > 1$).

2.2. Cremona groups. Let n be a positive integer. The *Cremona group* $\text{Cr}(n)$ is the group of automorphisms of $\mathbb{C}(X_1, \dots, X_n)$, the \mathbb{C} -algebra of rational functions in n independent variables.

Given n rational functions $F_i \in \mathbb{C}(X_1, \dots, X_n)$, $1 \leq i \leq n$, there is a unique endomorphism of this algebra maps X_i onto F_i and this is an automorphism if and only if the rational transformation f defined by $f(X_1, \dots, X_n) = (F_1, \dots, F_n)$ is a birational transformation of the affine space \mathbb{A}^n . Compactifying \mathbb{A}^n , we get

$$\text{Cr}(n) = \text{Bir}(\mathbb{A}^n) = \text{Bir}(\mathbb{P}^n)$$

where $\text{Bir}(X)$ denotes the group of all birational transformations of X .

In the end of this section, we define two subgroups in $\text{Cr}(n)$ introduced by Gizatullin [Gi94].

Definition 2.1. Let V be an $(n+1)$ -dimensional smooth projective rational manifold and $X \subset V$ a projective variety. The *decomposition group* of X is the group

$$\text{Dec}(V, X) := \{f \in \text{Bir}(V) \mid f(X) = X \text{ and } f|_X \in \text{Bir}(X)\}.$$

The *inertia group* of X is the group

$$\text{Ine}(V, X) := \{f \in \text{Dec}(V, X) \mid f|_X = \text{id}_X\}.$$

The decomposition group is also denoted by $\text{Bir}(V, X)$. By the definition, the correspondence

$$\gamma: \text{Dec}(V, X) \ni f \mapsto f|_X \in \text{Bir}(X)$$

defines the exact sequence:

$$1 \longrightarrow \text{Ine}(V, X) = \ker \gamma \longrightarrow \text{Dec}(V, X) \xrightarrow{\gamma} \text{Bir}(X). \quad (2.1)$$

So, it is natural to consider the following question (which is same as Question 1.2) asked by Ludmil Katzarkov:

Question 2.2. Is the sequence

$$1 \longrightarrow \text{Ine}(V, X) \longrightarrow \text{Dec}(V, X) \xrightarrow{\gamma} \text{Bir}(X) \longrightarrow 1 \quad (2.2)$$

exact, i.e., is γ surjective?

Remark 2.3. In general, the above sequence (2.2) is not exact, i.e., γ is not surjective. In fact, there is a smooth quartic $K3$ surface $M_2 \subset \mathbb{P}^3$ such that γ is not surjective ([Og13, Theorem 1.2 (2)]).

3. CALABI-YAU HYPERSURFACE IN \mathbb{P}^{n+1}

Our goal, in this section, is to prove Theorem 1.4 (i.e. Theorem 3.3). Before that, we introduce the result of Takahashi [Ta98].

Definition 3.1. Let X be a normal \mathbb{Q} -factorial projective variety. The 1-cycle is a formal linear combination $C = \sum a_i C_i$ of proper curves $C_i \subset X$ which are irreducible and reduced. By the theorem of the base of Néron-Severi (see [Kl66]), the whole numerical equivalent class of 1-cycle with real coefficients becomes the finite dimensional \mathbb{R} -vector space and denotes $N_1(X)$. The dimension of $N_1(X)$ or its dual $N^1(X)$ with respect to the intersection form is called the *Picard number* and denote $\rho(X)$.

Theorem 3.2. ([Ta98, Theorem 2.3]) *Let X be a Fano manifold (i.e. a manifold whose anti-canonical divisor $-K_X$ is ample,) with $\dim X \geq 3$ and $\rho(X) = 1$, $S \in |-K_X|$ a smooth hypersurface with $\text{Pic}(X) \rightarrow \text{Pic}(S)$ surjective. Let $\Phi: X \dashrightarrow X'$ be a birational map to a \mathbb{Q} -factorial terminal variety X' with $\rho(X') = 1$ which is not an isomorphism, and $S' = \Phi_* S$. Then $K_{X'} + S'$ is ample.*

This theorem is proved by using the *Noether-Fano inequality* which is one of the most important tools in birational geometry, which gives a precise bound on the singularities of indeterminacies of a birational map and some conditions when it becomes isomorphism.

This inequality is essentially due to [IM71], and Corti proved the general case of an arbitrary Mori fiber space of dimension three [Co95]. It was extended in all dimensions in [Ta95], [BM97], [Is01], and [dFe02], (see also [Ma02]). In particular, a log generalized version obtained independently in [BM97], [Ta95] is used for the proof of Theorem 3.2.

After that, we consider n -dimensional *Calabi-Yau manifold* X in this paper. It is a projective manifold which is simply connected,

$$H^0(X, \Omega_X^i) = 0 \quad (0 < i < \dim X = n), \quad \text{and} \quad H^0(X, \Omega_X^n) = \mathbb{C}\omega_X,$$

where ω_X is a nowhere vanishing holomorphic n -form.

The following theorem is a consequence of the Theorem 3.2, which is same as Theorem 1.4. This provides an example of the Calabi-Yau hypersurface M_n whose inertia group consists of only identity transformation.

Theorem 3.3. *Suppose $n \geq 3$. Let $M_n = (n+2) \subset \mathbb{P}^{n+1}$ be a smooth hypersurface of degree $n+2$. Then M_n is a Calabi-Yau manifold of dimension n and Question 2.2 is affirmative for M_n . More precisely:*

- (1) $\text{Dec}(\mathbb{P}^{n+1}, M_n) = \{f \in \text{PGL}(n+2, \mathbb{C}) = \text{Aut}(\mathbb{P}^{n+1}) \mid f(M_n) = M_n\}$.
- (2) $\text{Ine}(\mathbb{P}^{n+1}, M_n) = \{\text{id}_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}}\}$, and $\gamma: \text{Dec}(\mathbb{P}^{n+1}, M_n) \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Bir}(M_n) = \text{Aut}(M_n)$.

Proof. By Lefschetz hyperplane section theorem for $n \geq 3$, $\pi_1(M_n) \simeq \pi_1(\mathbb{P}^{n+1}) = \{\text{id}\}$, $\text{Pic}(M_n) = \mathbb{Z}h$ where h is the hyperplane class. By the adjunction formula,

$$K_{M_n} = (K_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}} + M_n)|_{M_n} = -(n+2)h + (n+2)h = 0$$

in $\text{Pic}(M_n)$.

By the exact sequence

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}}(-(n+2)) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{M_n} \longrightarrow 0$$

and

$$h^k(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}}(-(n+2))) = 0 \quad \text{for } 1 \leq k \leq n,$$

$$H^k(\mathcal{O}_{M_n}) \simeq H^k(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}}) = 0 \quad \text{for } 1 \leq k \leq n-1.$$

Hence $H^0(\Omega_{M_n}^k) = 0$ for $1 \leq k \leq n-1$ by the Hodge symmetry. Hence M_n is a Calabi-Yau manifold of dimension n .

By $\text{Pic}(M_n) = \mathbb{Z}h$, there is no small projective contraction of M_n , in particular, M_n has no flop. Thus by Kawamata [Ka08], we get $\text{Bir}(M_n) = \text{Aut}(M_n)$, and $g^*h = h$ for $g \in \text{Aut}(M_n) = \text{Bir}(M_n)$.

So we have $g = \tilde{g}|_{M_n}$ for some $\tilde{g} \in \text{PGL}(n+1, \mathbb{C})$. Assume that $f \in \text{Dec}(\mathbb{P}^{n+1}, M_n)$. Then $f_*(M_n) = M_n$ and $K_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}} + M_n = 0$. Thus by Theorem 3.2, $f \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{P}^{n+1}) = \text{PGL}(n+2, \mathbb{C})$. This proves (1) and the surjectivity of γ .

Let $f|_{M_n} = \text{id}_{M_n}$ for $f \in \text{Dec}(\mathbb{P}^{n+1}, M_n)$. Since $f \in \text{PGL}(n+1, \mathbb{C})$ by (1) and M_n generates \mathbb{P}^{n+1} , i.e., the projective hull of M_n is \mathbb{P}^{n+1} , it follows that $f = \text{id}_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}}$ if $f|_{M_n} = \text{id}_{M_n}$. Hence $\text{Ine}(\mathbb{P}^{n+1}, M_n) = \{\text{id}_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}}\}$, i.e., γ is injective. So, $\gamma: \text{Dec}(\mathbb{P}^{n+1}, M_n) \xrightarrow{\simeq} \text{Bir}(M_n) = \text{Aut}(M_n)$. \square

4. CALABI-YAU HYPERSURFACE IN $(\mathbb{P}^1)^{n+1}$

As in above section, the Calabi-Yau hypersurface M_n of \mathbb{P}^{n+1} with $n \geq 3$ has only identical transformation as the element of its inertia group. However, there exist some Calabi-Yau hypersurfaces in the product of \mathbb{P}^1 which does not satisfy this property; as result (Theorem 4.2) shows.

To simplify, we denote

$$P(n+1) := (\mathbb{P}^1)^{n+1} = \mathbb{P}_1^1 \times \mathbb{P}_2^1 \times \cdots \times \mathbb{P}_{n+1}^1,$$

$$P(n+1)_i := \mathbb{P}_1^1 \times \cdots \times \mathbb{P}_{i-1}^1 \times \mathbb{P}_{i+1}^1 \times \cdots \times \mathbb{P}_{n+1}^1 \simeq P(n),$$

and

$$p^i: P(n+1) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_i^1 \simeq \mathbb{P}^1,$$

$$p_i: P(n+1) \rightarrow P(n+1)_i$$

as the natural projection. Let H_i be the divisor class of $(p^i)^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(1))$, then $P(n+1)$ is a Fano manifold of dimension $n+1$ and its canonical divisor has the form

$-K_{P(n+1)} = \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} 2H_i$. Therefore, by the adjunction formula, the generic hypersurface $X_n \subset P(n+1)$ has trivial canonical divisor if and only if it has multidegree $(2, 2, \dots, 2)$. More strongly, for $n \geq 3$, $X_n = (2, 2, \dots, 2)$ becomes a Calabi-Yau manifold of dimension n and, for $n = 2$, a $K3$ surface (i.e. 2-dimensional Calabi-Yau manifold). This is shown by the same method as in the proof of Theorem 3.3.

From now, X_n is a generic hypersurface of $P(n+1)$ of multidegree $(2, 2, \dots, 2)$ with $n \geq 3$. Let us write $P(n+1) = \mathbb{P}_i^1 \times P(n+1)_i$. Let $[x_{i1} : x_{i2}]$ be the homogeneous coordinates of \mathbb{P}_i^1 . Hereafter, we consider the affine locus and denote by $x_i = \frac{x_{i2}}{x_{i1}}$ the affine coordinates of \mathbb{P}_i^1 and by \mathbf{z}_i that of $P(n+1)_i$. When we pay attention to x_i , X_n can be written by following equation

$$X_n = \{F_{i,0}(\mathbf{z}_i)x_i^2 + F_{i,1}(\mathbf{z}_i)x_i + F_{i,2}(\mathbf{z}_i) = 0\} \quad (4.1)$$

where each $F_{i,j}(\mathbf{z}_i)$ ($j = 0, 1, 2$) is a quadratic polynomial of \mathbf{z}_i . Now, we consider the two involutions of $P(n+1)$:

$$\tau_i: (x_i, \mathbf{z}_i) \rightarrow \left(-x_i - \frac{F_{i,1}(\mathbf{z}_i)}{F_{i,0}(\mathbf{z}_i)}, \mathbf{z}_i \right) \quad (4.2)$$

$$\sigma_i: (x_i, \mathbf{z}_i) \rightarrow \left(\frac{F_{i,2}(\mathbf{z}_i)}{x_i \cdot F_{i,0}(\mathbf{z}_i)}, \mathbf{z}_i \right). \quad (4.3)$$

Then $\tau_i|_{X_n} = \sigma_i|_{X_n} = \iota_i$ by definition of ι_i (cf. Theorem 1.1).

We get two birational automorphisms of X_n

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_i &= \sigma_i \circ \tau_i: (x_i, \mathbf{z}_i) \rightarrow \left(\frac{F_{i,2}(\mathbf{z}_i)}{-x_i \cdot F_{i,0}(\mathbf{z}_i) - F_{i,1}(\mathbf{z}_i)}, \mathbf{z}_i \right) \\ \rho'_i &= \tau_i \circ \sigma_i: (x_i, \mathbf{z}_i) \rightarrow \left(-\frac{x_i \cdot F_{i,1}(\mathbf{z}_i) + F_{i,2}(\mathbf{z}_i)}{x_i \cdot F_{i,0}(\mathbf{z}_i)}, \mathbf{z}_i \right). \end{aligned}$$

Obviously, both ρ_i and ρ'_i are in $\text{Ine}(P(n+1), X_n)$, map points not in X_n to other points also not in X_n , and $\rho_i^{-1} = \rho'_i$ by $\tau_i^2 = \sigma_i^2 = \text{id}_{P(n+1)}$.

Proposition 4.1. *Each ρ_i has infinite order.*

Proof. By the definition of ρ_i and $\rho'_i = \rho_i^{-1}$, it suffices to show

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & F_{i,2} \\ -F_{i,0} & -F_{i,1} \end{pmatrix}^k \neq \alpha I$$

for any $k \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ where I is an identity matrix and $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}^\times$. Their eigenvalues are

$$\frac{-F_{i,1} \pm \sqrt{F_{i,1}^2 - 4F_{i,0}F_{i,2}}}{2}.$$

Here $F_{i,1}^2 - 4F_{i,0}F_{i,2} \neq 0$ as X_n is general (for all i).

If $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & F_{i,2} \\ -F_{i,0} & -F_{i,1} \end{pmatrix}^k = \alpha I$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}^\times$, then

$$\left(\frac{-F_{i,1} + \sqrt{F_{i,1}^2 - 4F_{i,0}F_{i,2}}}{-F_{i,1} - \sqrt{F_{i,1}^2 - 4F_{i,0}F_{i,2}}} \right)^k = 1,$$

a contradiction to the assumption that X_n is generic. \square

We also remark that Proposition 4.1 is also implicitly proved in Theorem 4.2.

Our main result is the following (which is same as Theorem 1.3):

Theorem 4.2. *Let $X_n \subset P(n+1)$ be a smooth hypersurface of multidegree $(2, 2, \dots, 2)$ and $n \geq 3$. Then:*

- (1) $\gamma: \text{Dec}(P(n+1), X_n) \rightarrow \text{Bir}(X_n)$ is surjective, in particular Question 2.2 is affirmative for X_n .
- (2) If, in addition, X_n is generic, $n+1$ elements $\rho_i \in \text{Ine}(P(n+1), X_n)$ ($1 \leq i \leq n+1$) satisfy

$$\langle \rho_1, \rho_2, \dots, \rho_{n+1} \rangle \simeq \underbrace{\mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z} * \dots * \mathbb{Z}}_{n+1} \subset \text{Ine}(P(n+1), X_n).$$

In particular, $\text{Ine}(P(n+1), X_n)$ is an infinite non-commutative group.

Let $\text{Ind}(\rho)$ be the union of the indeterminacy loci of each ρ_i and ρ_i^{-1} ; that is,

$$\text{Ind}(\rho) = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n+1} (\text{Ind}(\rho_i) \cup \text{Ind}(\rho_i^{-1}))$$
 where $\text{Ind}(\rho_i)$ is the indeterminacy locus of ρ_i . Clearly, $\text{Ind}(\rho)$ has codimension ≥ 2 in $P(n+1)$.

Proof. Let us show Theorem 4.2 (1). Suppose X_n is generic. For a general point $x \in P(n+1)_i$, the set $p_i^{-1}(x)$ consists of two points. When we put these two points y and y' , then the correspondence $y \leftrightarrow y'$ defines a natural birational involutions of X_n , and this is the involution ι_j . Then, by Cantat-Oguiso's result [CO11, Theorem 3.3 (4)], $\text{Bir}(X_n)$ ($n \geq 3$) coincides with the group $\langle \iota_1, \iota_2, \dots, \iota_{n+1} \rangle \simeq \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} * \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} * \dots * \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}}_{n+1}$.

Two involutions τ_j and σ_j of X_n which we construct in (4.2) and (4.3) are the extensions of the covering involutions ι_j . Hence, $\tau_j|_{X_n} = \sigma_j|_{X_n} = \iota_j$. Thus γ is surjective. Since automorphisms of X_n come from that of total space $P(n+1)$, it holds the case that X_n is not generic. This completes the proof of Theorem 4.2 (1).

Then, we show Theorem 4.2 (2). By Proposition 4.1, order of each ρ_i is infinite. Thus it is sufficient to show that there is no non-trivial relation between its $n+1$ elements ρ_i . We show by arguing by contradiction.

Suppose to the contrary that there is a non-trivial relation between $n+1$ elements ρ_i , that is, there exists some positive integer N such that

$$\rho_{i_1}^{n_1} \circ \rho_{i_2}^{n_2} \circ \dots \circ \rho_{i_l}^{n_l} = \text{id}_{P(n+1)} \quad (4.4)$$

where l is a positive integer, $n_k \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ ($1 \leq k \leq l$), and each ρ_{i_k} denotes one of the $n+1$ elements ρ_i ($1 \leq i \leq n+1$) and satisfies $\rho_{i_k} \neq \rho_{i_{k+1}}$ ($0 \leq k \leq l-1$). Put $N = |n_1| + \dots + |n_l|$.

In the affine coordinates $(x_{i_1}, \mathbf{z}_{i_1})$ where x_{i_1} is the affine coordinates of i_1 -th factor $\mathbb{P}_{i_1}^1$, we can choose two distinct points $(\alpha_1, \mathbf{z}_{i_1})$ and $(\alpha_2, \mathbf{z}_{i_1})$, $\alpha_1 \neq \alpha_2$, which are not included in both X_n and $\text{Ind}(\rho)$.

By a suitable projective linear coordinate change of $\mathbb{P}_{i_1}^1$, we can set $\alpha_1 = 0$ and $\alpha_2 = \infty$. When we pay attention to the i_1 -th element x_{i_1} of the new coordinates, we put same letters $F_{i_1, j}(\mathbf{z}_{i_1})$ for the definitional equation of X_n , that is, X_n can be written by

$$X_n = \{F_{i_1, 0}(\mathbf{z}_{i_1})x_{i_1}^2 + F_{i_1, 1}(\mathbf{z}_{i_1})x_{i_1} + F_{i_1, 2}(\mathbf{z}_{i_1}) = 0\}.$$

Here the two points $(0, \mathbf{z}_{i_1})$ and $(\infty, \mathbf{z}_{i_1})$ not included in $X_n \cup \text{Ind}(\rho)$. From the assumption, both two equalities hold:

$$\begin{cases} \rho_{i_1}^{n_1} \circ \dots \circ \rho_{i_l}^{n_l}(0, \mathbf{z}_{i_1}) = (0, \mathbf{z}_{i_1}) \\ \rho_{i_1}^{n_1} \circ \dots \circ \rho_{i_l}^{n_l}(\infty, \mathbf{z}_{i_1}) = (\infty, \mathbf{z}_{i_1}). \end{cases} \quad (4.5)$$

$$\quad (4.6)$$

We proceed by dividing into the following two cases.

(i). The case where $n_1 > 0$. Write $\rho_{i_1} \circ \rho_{i_1}^{n_1-1} \circ \rho_{i_2}^{n_2} \circ \dots \circ \rho_{i_l}^{n_l} = \text{id}_{P(n+1)}$.

Let us denote $\rho_{i_1}^{n_1-1} \circ \dots \circ \rho_{i_l}^{n_l}(0, \mathbf{z}_{i_1}) = (p, \mathbf{z}'_{i_1})$, then, by the definition of ρ_{i_1} , it maps p to 0. That is, the equation $F_{i_1, 2}(\mathbf{z}'_{i_1}) = 0$ is satisfied. On the other hand, the intersection of X_n and the hyperplane $(x_{i_1} = 0)$ is written by

$$X_n \cap (x_{i_1} = 0) = \{F_{i_1, 2}(\mathbf{z}_{i_1}) = 0\}.$$

This implies $(0, \mathbf{z}'_{i_1}) = \rho_{i_1}(p, \mathbf{z}'_{i_1}) = (0, \mathbf{z}_{i_1})$ is a point on X_n , a contradiction to the fact that $(0, \mathbf{z}_{i_1}) \notin X_n$.

(ii). The case where $n_1 < 0$. Write $\rho_{i_1}^{-1} \circ \rho_{i_1}^{n_1+1} \circ \rho_{i_2}^{n_2} \circ \cdots \circ \rho_{i_l}^{n_l} = \text{id}_{P(n+1)}$.

By using the assumption (4.6), we lead the contradiction by the same way as in (i). Precisely, we argue as follows.

Let us write $x_{i_1} = \frac{1}{y_{i_1}}$, then $(x_{i_1} = \infty, \mathbf{z}_{i_1}) = (y_{i_1} = 0, \mathbf{z}_{i_1})$ and X_n and $\rho_{i_1}^{-1}$ can be written by

$$X_n := \{F_{i_1,0}(\mathbf{z}_{i_1}) + F_{i_1,1}(\mathbf{z}_{i_1})y_{i_1} + F_{i_1,2}(\mathbf{z}_{i_1})y_{i_1}^2 = 0\},$$

$$\rho_{i_1}^{-1}: (y_{i_1}, \mathbf{z}_{i_1}) \rightarrow \left(-\frac{F_{i_1,0}(\mathbf{z}_{i_1})}{F_{i_1,1}(\mathbf{z}_{i_1}) + y_{i_1} \cdot F_{i_1,2}(\mathbf{z}_{i_1})}, \mathbf{z}_{i_1} \right).$$

Let us denote $\rho_{i_1}^{n_1+1} \circ \rho_{i_2}^{n_2} \circ \cdots \circ \rho_{i_l}^{n_l}(y_{i_1} = 0, \mathbf{z}_{i_1}) = (y_{i_1} = q, \mathbf{z}''_{i_1})$, then $\rho_{i_1}^{-1}$ maps q to 0. That is, the equation $F_{i_1,0}(\mathbf{z}''_{i_1}) = 0$ is satisfied, but the intersection of X_n and the hyperplane $(y_{i_1} = 0)$ is written by

$$X_n \cap (y_{i_1} = 0) = \{F_{i_1,0}(\mathbf{z}_{i_1}) = 0\}.$$

This implies $(y_{i_1} = 0, \mathbf{z}''_{i_1}) = \rho_{i_1}^{-1}(y_{i_1} = q, \mathbf{z}''_{i_1}) = (x_{i_1} = \infty, \mathbf{z}_{i_1})$ is a point on X_n ; that is, $(x_{i_1} = \infty, \mathbf{z}_{i_1}) \in X_n \cap (x_{i_1} = \infty)$. This is contradiction.

From (i) and (ii), we can conclude that there does not exist such N . This completes the proof of Theorem 4.2 (2). \square

Note that, for the cases $n = 2$ and 1, Theorem 4.2 (2) also holds though (1) does not hold.

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